



BIOGRAPHY

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COLONEL NOEL T. JONES



Colonel Noel T. Jones is commander of Squadron Officer College, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. As commander, he is responsible for developing 21st century leaders who can advocate what aerospace power brings to the fight, value team achievement over individual success and value their vital role in the profession of arms. Both Air and Space Basic Course and Squadron Officer School are part of the college.

Colonel Jones received his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo., in 1980 and graduated from pilot training in 1981.

Colonel Jones' previous assignments include commander, 20th Operations Group, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. He also served in staff positions with North American Aerospace Command. Before assuming his present position, Colonel Jones was the commander of the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Ahmed Al Jaber Air Base, Kuwait.

Colonel Jones is a command pilot with more than 3,500 flying hours.

EDUCATION:

1980 Bachelor of science degree in political science, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1986 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

1987 Masters degree of aviation science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University,

Torrejon Air Base, Spain

1992 Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

2000 Masters degree in National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 1980 - 1981, undergraduate pilot training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
2. April 1982 – Nov. 1984, life support officer, training officer and chief of scheduling, 84th Fighter Interceptor Training Squadron, Castle Air Force Base, Calif.
3. Dec. 1984 – Jan. 1985, Lead In Fighter Training, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.
4. Feb. 1985 – Sep. 1985, pilot, F-16 Replacement Training Unit, MacDill, Air Force Base, Fla.
5. Oct. 1985 – Nov. 1988, flight safety officer, instructor pilot and flight commander, 613th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Torrejon Air Base, Spain
6. Dec. 1988 – May 1991, instructor pilot, training officer and wing executive officer, 62nd Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, 56th Training Wing, MacDill, Air Force Base, Fla.
7. June 1991 – June 1992, student, Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
8. July 1992 – Nov. 1994, chief of War and Mobilization Branch, executive officer and chief of staff for the director of operations, NORAD, Colorado Springs, Colo.
9. Dec. 1994 – June 1994, pilot, Luke Air Force Base, Ariz.
10. July 1994 – Aug. 1995, assistant operations officer, director of operations, 35th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Korea
11. Sep. 1995 – Oct. 1997, director of operations, 523rd Fighter Squadron, Cannon Air Force Base, N.M.
12. Nov. 1997 – June 1999, commander, 522nd Fighter Squadron, Cannon Air Force Base, N.M.
13. July 1999 – June 2000, student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
14. July 2000 – July 2001, deputy commander, 20th Operations Group, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.
15. Aug. 2001 – Jan. 2003, commander, 20th Operations Group, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.
16. Feb. 2003 – June 2003, commander, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Jaber Air Base, Kuwait
17. July 2003 – present, commander, Squadron Officer College, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,500 flying hours

Aircraft flown: T-33, F-16

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star
Legion of Merit
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Combat Readiness Medal with one device
National Defense Service Medal
Southwest Asia Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	May 28, 1980
First Lieutenant	May 28, 1982
Captain	May 28, 1984
Major	Oct. 1, 1991
Lieutenant Colonel	Nov. 1, 1996
Colonel	March 1, 2001

(Current as of August 2003)